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93. (New) The bone graft substitute of claim 88, wherein said moving step of the moveable lower punch to the material is subsequent to the moving step of the moveable upper punch to the material.

- 94. (New) The bone graft substitute of claim 88, wherein the lower punch is comprised of at least one of a stationary lower punch and a moveable lower punch vertically moveable about the stationary lower punch and moveable inside the cavity of the moveable die.
- 95. (New) The bone graft substitute of claim 88, wherein the upper punch is comprised of at least one of a stationary upper punch and a moveable upper punch vertically moveable about the stationary upper punch and moveable inside the cavity of the moveable die.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

If an outstanding fee is due and has not been paid at any time during prosecution of this application, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P02125US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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